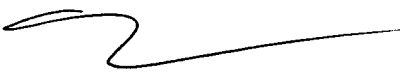
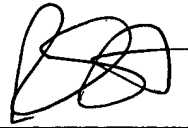


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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